

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
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NEWS RELEASE**



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**2018 Kodiak District Tanner Crab Season Opening**

The National Weather Service 48-hour marine weather forecast for Area PKZ132 (Shuyak to Sitkinak) issued at 4:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 17 did not contain a gale warning. Therefore, the 2018 Kodiak District Tanner crab fishery will open at 12:00 noon Thursday, January 18.

Final registration is required and will occur in Kodiak and Old Harbor beginning at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 17.

ADF&G will manage the 2018 Kodiak Tanner crab fishery based on inseason reports from fishery participants. Reports will be taken daily beginning at 6:00 p.m. by satellite dispatch (0715 and 7894), email (nathaniel.nichols@alaska.gov), and phone (907-486-1840). Vessel operators are strongly encouraged to report catch daily.

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